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The Eastern Trip.

Friday morning, tired, but happy, the basket-ball team arrived on the Hill from one of the most successful trips ever taken by that organization. To a casual observer it might not have seemed successful when one considers that the team brought home but a single victory. But when the length of the trip and the calibre of the teams played is considered the decision must be reversed. Monday night, after a long and hard day's traveling, the team struck Williamstown. When one recalls that this team beat Colgate the previous week by the score of 30 to 9, their speed can be estimated. We played them one of the hardest games of their season and lost by the score of 27 to 15. For that showing we offer no apologies.

Then we jumped to Middletown, Conn., to play Wesleyan. Their team averages 173 pounds and is fast, so that an idea of the proposition our team had to face can be readily obtained. Their play was very rough and the game was poorly officiated. Kuolt received in this game a severely wrenched shoulder. The score was 39 to 7, which was fair.

At Providence, R. I., Wednesday night, the team met Brown. Their team was another lot of big men and they rolled our smaller men about considerably. Kuolt played well in this game, notwithstanding his lame shoulder. They won by a score of 33 to 6.

Then after a long trip back to Schenectady we played Union Thursday night. We knew that our team could beat Union, but doubted whether they would or not, after such a hard trip. The game was fast thruout and until the last five minutes it was Union's game. Then they became too confi-

dent and before they realized it, our team had walked off with the score to the tune of 22 to 19. That was good.

Kuolt, Smith, Welch, Hopkins, Conklin and Sherwin made the trip with Manager Gordon at the helm. Conklin, who has been a "dark horse" all the season, played well. In the Williams game, especially, he was fast and aggressive. Hopkins, in place of Moore, covered well on the trip. Welch did not strike his gait until the last two games, but played well enough in them to make up. Kuolt, Smith and Sherwin played their usual hard games. In every way but the financial the trip was a success and we want another next year.

The Colgate Game.

On Washington's birthday the basket-ball team played Colgate at Hamilton, with the best score that one of our teams ever made on their floor. The result was 37 to 21 in favor of Colgate, and in the light of past performances of that team this was a very creditable showing. If we won no other games, the Princeton game, the game with Williams and that score at Colgate would make the team a success.

Stowell was out of the game, but De Benkelaer, a Freshman, filled his place in good style. He is not so smooth a player as "Davy," but nevertheless is a fast man. Last week was Soiree week at Colgate and a large crowd saw the game. Thruout the contest was fast and exciting. Good work by the officials, however, kept it clean. Both were very strict in their rulings. The first half was Colgate's. They out-passed us, but our team guarded well. The half ended 21 to 8 in Colgate's favor. But during the

next session things went differently. Sherwin became the aggressor and kept Knapp busy the rest of the game. We began to pass better and in the last ten minutes struck our gait. Colgate was completely outplayed during this period and the wearers of the Maroon seemed glad when the whistle closed the game. Knapp was the particular star of the game, throwing ten goals and three fouls, two of which were not allowed. The spectacular work of Risley and Whelan in dribbling was also noteworthy. The best of feeling characterized the game and supporters of both teams cheered each other heartily.

The line-up follows:

Hamilton 21. Colgate 37.

	Right Forward.	
Kuolt, (Capt.)		Risley.
	Left Forward.	
Welch.		De Benkelaer.
	Center.	
Sherwin.		Knapp.
	Right Guard.	
Hopkins.		Caster.
	Left Guard.	
Smith.		Whelan.

Goals—Welsh 3, Kuolt 2, Sherwin 4, Hopkins 1, Knapp 10, Whelan 1, De Benkelaer 1, Caster 4, Risley 2. Fouls—Kuolt 3, Knapp 1. Referee and Umpire, alternating—Gordon, '07, (Ham.), Roberts, '07, (Col.) Time-keepers—Hauseman, '08, (Col.), and MacGary, '09, (Ham.) Halves—20 minutes.

The Last Game.

The last game of the season will be played Monday night with Colgate. It will probably be the fastest game of the season and no man in college can afford to miss it. The management should be supported as the finances are in bad shape.

If you have not paid your basket-ball subscription, make it a point to see one of the managers and give it to him. Don't make him chase you, he has enough else on his hands.

Crook of Amherst May Coach.

Mr. H. P. Crook, Amherst '07, has been on the Hill during the past week. Mr. Crook is an applicant for the job of football coach for the season of 1907. He has played right end on the Amherst team for four years. An injured knee kept him out of practice during last season, but, notwithstanding that, he played creditably in every Varsity game. Hutchinson, the ex-Yale quarterback, coached Amherst last fall and under his tutelage and acting as assistant coach, Crook acquired many points in coaching. Previous to his entrance at Amherst he played four years on the high school team at Seattle, Washington. He bears recommendation from Hubbard, captain of Amherst, Hutchinson, the All American quarterback, and Hart, tackle on Yale.

The Little Falls Concert.

From the viewpoint of the members of the clubs themselves, the concert given at Little Falls on the evening of Washington's birthday may well be considered the most successful yet of the season. The reason for this is the fine entertainment the men received. Even some of the staid old Seniors seemed unable to return until late the following day.

Leaving Clinton at 2:15 p. m. on Friday the clubs reached Little Falls at 4 o'clock. According to a well arranged plan, a sleigh was in readiness to distribute all the suit-cases at the respective homes where the men were to be entertained at dinner and over night. Thus relieved the thirty "artists" directly wended their way up the hill to "Overlook," the large and beautiful residence of Mr. D. H. Burrell.

Assembled here were the members of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society in whose benefit the concert was given. The genial hostess had spared no pains to make this one of the most pleasant receptions the clubs have ever been tendered.

The concert was given in Cronkhite Hall. Owing to the absence of a large portion of the Glee Club, its members lacked the ordinary volume. Unfor-

tunately, too, the quartet had to be omitted on account of Hoyt's absence. The Instrumental Club played well and was much commended. Shortly after the concert began, there was heard a general fire alarm. This served to make the audience inattentive. When it was given a second time, about a third of the audience left the hall in confusion. At this point an announcement was made from the stage stating the location of the fire and assuring the spectators that there was no danger. Altho' this excitement put the club at a disadvantage, the concert met with hearty approval.

Following the concert an informal dance was given by the B. K. G. Society.

Our management realized a small profit, while the treasury of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society was increased by about \$50.00.

Echo from Little Falls.

The following clipping from the Little Falls *Journal and Courier* of February 26th is another link in the chain of favorable newspaper comments on the Musical Clubs:

The entertainment at the Cronkhite opera house last Friday evening by the Hamilton College Glee and Instrumental Clubs was a pronounced success. A large audience enthusiastically encored every number on the program. Little Falls will be glad to greet the Hamilton boys next season.

Miss Elizabeth Burrell gave a tea at Overlook, from four to six Friday afternoon, to the thirty-six members of the clubs and about the same number of young ladies.

Those who entertained the young men of the clubs at their homes in our city were much pleased with their visitors and many happy acquaintances were formed. Certainly they are young men of character and high ambitions who are seeking to advance the world's worthy attainments.

There is being published at Colgate a booklet of seventy-five pages containing 125 cuts of the buildings, the campus and athletic teams and records for the past six years.

Y. M. C. A.

Secretary T. R. Jordan of the Utica Association will speak at the afternoon meeting in Silliman Hall Sunday. Mr. Jordan is a good speaker and will give an interesting address.

The annual meeting of the Association will be held on Thursday night, March 14, at half past seven in Silliman Hall. At this time will be the election of officers and reports on the work of this year.

Basket-ball Schedule, 1906-07.

Some changes have been recently made in the basket-ball schedule, and the revised schedule follows:

- Dec. 1.—Hamilton 60, Waterville Y. M. C. A. 9, at Clinton.
- Dec. 8.—Hamilton 25, Utica Free Academy 20, at Clinton.
- Jan. 12.—Hamilton 13, Rochester 26, at Rochester.
- Jan. 18.—Hamilton 29, Union 22, at Clinton.
- Jan. 23.—Hamilton 14, Syracuse 54, at Syracuse.
- Jan. 26.—Hamilton 29, Rochester 23, at Clinton.
- Feb. 7.—Hamilton 31, Princeton 27, at Clinton.
- Feb. 11.—Hamilton 28, Syracuse 36, at Clinton.
- Feb. 15.—Hamilton 55, Auburn Theol. Seminary 5, at Clinton.
- Feb. 22.—Hamilton 21, Colgate 37, at Hamilton.
- Feb. 25.—Hamilton 15, Williams 27, at Williamstown.
- Feb. 26.—Hamilton 7, Wesleyan 39, at Middletown.
- Feb. 27.—Hamilton 6, Brown 33, at Providence.
- Feb. 28.—Hamilton 22, Union 19, at Schenectady.
- Mar. 4.—Colgate at Clinton.

Forty men turned out for baseball practice at Princeton this week.

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YES, MOST OF US DO WORK up here on the Hill, but most of us are strong enough to stand the strain and when it comes to standing up for a song every morning, the writer will go so far as to assert that it will unfit no one for his daily tasks. Certain members of the Sophomore and Freshman classes seem to think so, however, for they have formed the habit of getting behind someone who stands up, and, out of sight of the President's eye, they enjoy their stolen repose with now and then a furtive glance to see if they are still undiscovered. Chapel is compulsory we know, but out of respect for the service and courtesy to those about them and him who conducts the service, which is short, we say the proper thing to do is to stand up. And especially should this be so in Sunday Chapel when we have visitors. Some are too lazy even to take up a hymnal and find the hymn, but how must it look to outsiders to see several men making themselves comfortable while the others are standing? Are the underclassmen getting lazy or insolent? No, it is merely thoughtlessness.

MONDAY NIGHT THE TEAM plays Colgate in the last game of the season. Last week we played them on their floor and lost after a hard struggle. Altho the team will be more or less tired from its eastern trip, it will go into this game to win and will play its hardest. We have a good chance to win and we need the victory to round out our list for the season. The college should be present and help in every way it can to capture this game.

But right here we wish to deliver a little sermon on our conduct at games. It is to be regretted that the college entire could not have seen the game at Colgate and witnessed the actions of the college body there. We pride ourselves on our college spirit and the way we cheer. True, we can cheer a losing team, and perhaps that is the final test of spirit, but in the matter of college manners we are very lax. There the crowd was sitting down (and their floor space is as limited as ours). The cheer-leader sat at one end and at the right times he stood up, everything became quiet and he announced the yell, and led it with a snap and vigor and swing that is lamentably lacking in our work of this kind. The singing too was clear and distinct, so that a visitor could understand every word. How many could understand our songs or even our yells? There was no hissing or kicking of any kind, altho several "raw" decisions were made. The businesslike method of yelling did not entirely preclude rooting and the support from the sidelines was as enthusiastic as one could desire. Our spirit here is fine and we're proud of it; but it has a tendency to make us think we're "it", and awakening to the fact that we're not the only thing in the college world is attended with some chagrin. Our singing and cheering, which should be one of our most characteristic and strongest achievements, is slovenly to say the least. Along these lines the college has much to learn and the sooner it tackles the lesson the better for our reputation.

LAST TERM THE COLLEGE VOTED to refund the money advanced by President Stryker in paying the expenses of

a debating team which visited us about a year ago. A committee was appointed to collect the tax, all of which was to be in by February 1st. Only about half of the amount has been paid and the chances seem to be that the rest will never materialize. As far as can be ascertained the committee in charge have done their best. Some of the crowds claim that they have paid the tax, but to whom no one knows. Surely there has been very loose management on the part of someone in this affair. There is sufficient evidence that part of the tax has been collected and thru a careless mistake never turned over to the proper person. We have no idea who is to blame for this lax business. We wish that it might be untangled in some way and soon.

The confusion and embarrassment that have resulted from this affair remind us once more of the urgent need for some sort of student organization and management in debating. When we consider how much easier it would be to manage a debate than a football game we can see how all this trouble would be avoided if we had a student manager of debate. Not only would we have intercollegiate debates but also someone to attend to the financial side of them. Speaking of debates, when is that interclass fray to take place?

The Lit. Critique.

The February *Lit.* and a full moon appeared simultaneously above the horizon on Wednesday evening last, dispelling the Junior aftermath of rev-ery and reminding us all of the flight of time and the disquieting approach of exam. week. There is much of good in the February *Lit.*; the number is in every way a credit to the board. Reading between the lines, we conclude from a lamentable scarcity of verse and a certain stress of arrangement that the editors were hard put to it to secure enough material suitable for the issue. This is in no way a reflection on the editors. It is a sufficient commentary on the lack of healthy interest that restrains many men of marked

ability from submitting contributions to the board.

Lloyd Stryker's sonnetized tribute to Marlowe heads the table of contents. Stryker's verse is pictorial, as always; his apt use of suggestive words produces striking effects in connotation. But Stryker has done better things. One laments the impairing of a fine conception, injudiciously crammed into the rigid sonnet form. After all, the sonnet is a master's task. The rest of the verse consists of an ever-precious platitude, re-clothed by Welch, '09, with all the neat conciseness of a Greek epigram. He calls it "A Filler". We think the caption undeserved. Why haven't we heard oftener from Welch?

The *piece de resistance* in fiction is the second installment of Trippe's Indian legend. The narrative has the characteristic inconsequentiality of Indian lore—it was written to entertain, and serves its purpose well. Trippe tells his tale in simple language, using short and vivid sentences. An occasional sentence of greater length would add color to his style. We shall await the continuation with interest.

Two charming little stories complete our February fiction. "Alec" Osborne is at his best as a worker in miniature. His "Love and War" is quite as good as his seacoast sketches of last year and has a quaint, attractive pathos all its own. Peck, in "Partners", presents a new version of a theme as old as Damon and Pythias, here vividly retold by suggestion, which is carried to such a degree that connection sometimes suffers, but not to the serious detriment of the story.

Eddie's K. P. oration claims immortality in its turn, and adds worth and dignity to the issue. The Sphinx at last has spoken—Simmons, '08, breaks his long silence by an essay on "Esperanto." Simmons in this vein is a new departure to the majority of *Lit.* readers, who seek in vain for traces of the fertile imagination which has given us many and varied literary stunts in the past. The essay is a strong practical exposition of a most pertinent subject, and deserves better of us than the ruthless skipping which is accorded to most of the solid matter in *Lit.*

The remarks of Criticus anent the obsolescence of the class cane are unusually clever and diverting. The editorial jottings are timely, tho colorless. Hill Notes and Alumniana form the usual sedative to the lighter offerings of the issue.

Lecture on Holland by Prof. Morrill.

Holland is a flat country, most of it having been reclaimed from the sea, lakes and marshes. The history of Holland is one of continual struggle with the elements; but at times they have turned the waters over their fields and meadows to save the land from falling into the possession of an invader. In the great struggle which broke the power of Spain the sea was of inestimable value as a defense. Because of the low, flat nature of the land an elaborate system of dykes and canals has been built. The canals are a veritable network all over the country and are often the highways of the land.

The lecture included views and talks on many of the cities of Holland, including The Hague, Amsterdam, Edam, and many of the villages of Friesland. In the views the characteristic dress of the women of Holland was pointed out, their voluminous skirts and tight waists, the half sleeves and peculiar head-dress. The architecture of the buildings is of a style which, tho old, yet is modern. Their cathedrals and larger houses have served as models for many churches and houses in whatever lands the Dutch dwell. In New York State many examples may be found of the gabled roofs, the steep and slanting tiling on the roofs, the queer painted shutters and wide chimneys which one sees everywhere in Holland.

The market places of every village, the docks and quays, the fishing craft, the meadows, grazing cattle, the flat landscape with its ever present windmills and church steeples, all leave an impression of Dutch solidity and placidity. Their slow running steamers, sailing vessels and even their buildings represent the adherence to the customs of their ancestors which has given them a place at the top of the world's

list of nations in more respects than one.

Statues of her famous men and their works are gathered into museums in the mother country to abide forever.

President Stryker Sails the 6th.

Wednesday, the 6th, Dr. Stryker leaves New York for a six weeks' trip to France, the trustees having granted him a two months' leave of absence. He will sail on the Holland-American nine-day boat Ryndam and will be met by Mrs. Stryker. It is understood that he will first visit the celebrated cathedral at Amiens, thence will hasten to Paris to join his family, who have been abroad since last September. The date of his return is set as April 15th.

LIFE wishes Dr. Stryker the happiest possible trip.

Preliminary work will be done at Princeton this spring in preparation for the crew in 1908.

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College Notes.

—Prof. Squires preached in chapel last Sunday morning.

—Next week the musical clubs will give a concert in Iliion.

—The Pentagon society enjoyed a dinner and theatre party in Utica last Monday evening.

—Final arrangements are being made for the concerts to be given by the clubs on their Easter trip.

—All those who expect to enter interclass wrestling are asked to hand their names to Rood or McCarthy at once.

—The standing of the Freshman competition for LIFE is as follows: Glover, Titus, McMath, Cross, Engs and Lloyd.

—Dr. Davenport was in Washington last week, at which time he gave a speech at the Hamilton College Alumni banquet.

—The following alumni were on the Hill during the week, Brandt, '04, Heacock, '06, Scott, ex-'07, Barrows, '06, Knox, '04.

—At the beginning of next term Dr. Davenport will lecture to the Sopho-

more debate class until Dr. Stryker returns from abroad.

—Among the aspirants among the Freshmen for assistant manager of basket-ball are Hall, Swift, Abbott, Wheeler, Baldwin, '10.

—The Junior-Freshman game in the interclass basket-ball series was played Monday night. The Juniors carried off the honors by a score of 20 to 5.

—To those who intend to write prize essays there's only one thing to say, *tempus fugit*. Spring term is close at hand and how much work will you really do in vacation?

—All the classes have been requested to elect captains and managers of wrestling. The sport is now to be advanced and Prof. Ward will instruct men in any of the classes.

—Scoon, '07, has passed the preliminaries for the Rhode's Scholarship. He has to appear before a special board for further examinations. This board considers the athletic, moral and social qualifications.

—There is some chance for a game between the Freshman team and the Colgate Freshmen after the close of the regular 'varsity season. With Moore and Sherwin the Freshmen would have a very strong team.

—Last Saturday a serious accident befell Trippe, '07. While taking a young lady down the Hill on a sled he ran into a tree at the Psi U. curve and sustained a badly broken leg. He was taken to Faxton hospital and is reported to be getting along well.

—Prospects for Spring sports are bright. In every branch of sport there is good material and proper spirit. Tennis, track and baseball all lost veterans when '06 graduated, but there are still men left in college who can work into their places. The Freshman class showed good track material in the interclass meet.

—Baseball practice for the season of 1907 was begun in the Gym, last week. Regular practice is held Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 4, and Wednesday and Saturday at 2:30. The squad under Captain Brown, '07, is working hard, and it is expected a good team will be developed, as there

are six men, Brown, '07, White, Clark, Cody, Judson, and Smith, '08, who played on the 'varsity last spring. What the team needs most is pitchers, and it is hoped that these will be found among the Freshmen. The other candidates for the team are Montgomery, '07, Newton, Fraser, Ross, '08, Plumb, Hopkins, Getman, McGarry, '09, Titus, Swift, Deimel, Hall, and Judson, '10.

Lecture on Russia.

As a conclusion to the winter's lecture course, which has been so much appreciated by the college body, Prof. E. J. Ward is making arrangements with Arthur Bullard, '03, for an illustrated lecture on "The Situation in Russia today." The arrangements are not yet perfected and it depends somewhat on the interest the college takes in the matter as to whether the date can be fixed. There will be some expense for lantern slides and the like and it has seemed best to have definite assurance that the fellows will support it, so if an advance subscription paper comes around in a few days don't sneak out the back door. In all probability the lecture will be given in the Stone Church on Wednesday evening, March 13, and it will be not only very instructive but also intensely entertaining, as all who remember Bullard's bright, energetic style of speech can testify. Bullard is especially qualified to give a talk of this sort as he has but just returned from a two years' visit in Russia, where he has lived under an assumed name as a correspondent for *Collier's Weekly* and other New York papers. He has had many hairbreadth escapes from the Russian officials and yet lives to be the secretary of the "Friends of Russian Freedom." We hope to see him here on the thirteenth.

Yale has introduced a combination season ticket to be sold for \$5. It admits the student to all football, baseball and track games.

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